

THE PIERSON TOWNSHIP NEWS

WINTER NEWSLETTER



WINTER TAXES



Winter taxes are due and payable without interest (including deferred parcels) until Friday, Feb. 14, 2025.

On March 1, delinquent taxes are turned over to the County and CANNOT be paid at the Township.

If your property taxes are paid via mortgage escrow, please contact the Treasurer's office to verify for billing purposes. Mortgage escrows can include financing, refinancing, or if you have recently paid off an existing mortgage loan.

TAX PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- * Treasurer's office: we accept cash, checks, money orders, credit cards and e-checks.
- * Mail (please mail early, postmarks are NOT accepted).
- * Dropbox
- * Online via link: www.piersontwp.org/tax-information
- * Independent Bank in Howard City or Sand Lake (you MUST bring entire tax bill and make checks & money orders payable to Pierson Township.)

Note: credit card payments and e-checks include a processing fee.

If you want a receipt, please complete the back of the bill.

CHECKS SHOULD ALWAYS BE PAYABLE TO "PIERSON TOWNSHIP TREASURER"

ELECTION NEWS

What an amazing turnout! Almost 82% of Registered Pierson Township Voters participated in the November 5 General Election.

There were 195 Early Voters (Stanton), 883 Absentee Voters, and 1,187 Election Day voters!

DELINQUENT TAXES: FAQ

When are taxes considered delinquent?

County Treasurer JoAnne Vukin will be holding a hearing on Jan 17, 2025 for the delinquent 2022 taxes, in the Commissioners Room, in Stanton.

Can I come ask for more time?

The hearing is where people, who may not be able to pay those delinquent taxes, can come and ask for more time. Treasurer cannot forgive the delinquent taxes, but does have the ability to extend the deadline to pay before foreclosure.

When do the 2022 taxes go to the judge?

In Feb of 2025 there is the Foreclosure Hearing before the circuit court judge. You can petition to court to withhold the taxes from foreclosure.

What is the last day to redeem 2022 taxes?

The judge will sign the Foreclosure order in February 2025, but people still can redeem the 2022 taxes until March 31, 2025 at the County Treasurer's office.

When are rights to property lost for failure to pay 2022 taxes?

April 1, 2025

Questions? Call JoAnne Vukin 989-831-7334



BUILDING THE FUTURE TOGETHER

The Parks & Recreation Committee is beginning work on the Recreation Plan to see how the park can continue to be a leader in park play for the area. The Recreation Plan is an overview of the community Recreation Opportunities and goals for the future.

The Recreation Plan is used to apply for grant funds to help grow our park!

PIERSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK

It has been a busy third year! Three additional pieces were added to the park, and completion of the Basketball Courts. The Banner Sponsors have helped purchase the bench seating inside the court area. Thank you to all our sponsors, donations and pop cans from friends! During the winter months, the P&R Team will share the Pop Can Fundraiser with other Tri-County Area groups, to give our team a well deserved break.

Watch for more Fundraising Events! The goal is to allow EVERYONE to contribute in making our little park something we can be proud to have in our township.





TOWNSHIP COMMUNICATIONS

Information is currently available on Facebook, Township website and via a "Pierson Friends Email" once or twice a month. Have you signed up for email communications yet? Click Subscribe online to add your name to the list.

Pierson publishes notices & meeting synopsis in the Greenville Daily News. Paper copies are available at the Pierson Trading Post or subscribe online. Accessible online for free at: <https://thedailynews.cc/michigan-public-notice/> Simply Select "Montcalm" in county search and scroll through listings.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Wednesdays 9 am - 4 pm

DATES TO NOTE:

Offices closed: December 24 & 25
December 31-January 1, 2025

Treasurer's office will be open Dec 30 for tax payments
See tax information on previous page for additional tax dates.

Check the website and Facebook pages for up to date information, meeting dates, minutes, hall calendar and more!

Spring Clean-Up Date: June 7, 2025



HALL RENTALS

Contact the clerk's office

2024 Rates: \$50 Deposit
\$100 Resident/
\$125 Non-resident

2 hr meeting blocks available.

See application online for full rate details, the online calendar shows if dates are available, but confirm with the Clerk's office.

Check the website for photos and application.

Pavilion Rentals available
Memorial Day - Labor Day
(Weather Depending)



Were you part of the CPR class that was held at Pierson Township this summer?

If you are interested in hosting or have suggestions for community activities, please reach out to piersoncommunity@gmail.com or drop a note at the township.

Are you part of the Big & Little Whitefish Sewer System?

Pierson Township and the "SAC" committee (a group of members from both Big & Little Whitefish Associations, Township Supervisor and the F&VO team) have meetings to discuss budgets and determine the best way to maintain the system into the future. The meetings are open to the public, but, please, feel free to reach out to your Lake Representative. On the Pierson Township website, you can find Sewer Information on the BWL/LWL Sewer tab.

CURRENT BILLING DATES:

April and October

LWL owners with SA due from initial connection: July

When selling your property, be sure to notify your title company or attorney so that the sewer bills are included in closing costs.

F&VO Emergency Line: (616) 874-8866.

8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday

FV&O service calls will be handled in a timely manner during regular business hours.

Pierson Township: 616-636-8570
for information on billing and payments.



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